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In re application of :  
Marek Weltrowski et al. :  
Serial No. 09/913,448 :  
Filed: August 14, 2001 :  
For: FIBRE WITH IMPROVED COMPLEXATION QUALITIES :  
AND CATION-EXCHANGE PROPERTIES :

DECISION ON  
PETITION

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT filed November 24, 2003. The petition requests that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of October 21, 2003, for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter of March 13, 2003, be withdrawn since the applicants did timely file a response thereto on June 6, 2003 by facsimile transmission to the USPTO. (A copy of the papers filed June 6, 2003 and a copy of the Facsimile Transmission Report indicating receipt of the facsimile transmission at the USPTO is attached to the instant petition.)

**DECISION**

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the evidence presented reveals that applicant's response was properly filed on June 6, 2003 by facsimile transmission as evidenced by the properly completed Certification of Facsimile Transmission attached to applicant's response and by the copy of the facsimile transmission report provided with the instant petition which indicates the successful transmission, to a USPTO facsimile telephone number (703-305-5408), of sixteen pages. Therefore, the application was never in-fact abandoned and any holding of abandonment for failure to timely file a proper response to the Office letter mailed on March 13, 2003 is hereby vacated, and the application is returned to pending status.

The application shall be forwarded to the examiner for processing and consideration of the papers originally filed June 6, 2003 by facsimile transmission and a copy of which is provided as an attachment to the instant petition.

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

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